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- 1. FURTHER TO REFTEL, WE NOTE THAT NOT ONLY WAS IN INCOR-RECT TO INCLUDE NPT PARTIES (AUSTRALIA AND IRAN) AMONG "PLUTONIUM PRODUCERS, NOT YET FULLY SAFEGUARDED" IN MAP ON PAGE 21 OF MARCH 5 ISSUE OF CURRENT FOREIGN RELATIONS, BUT WE POINT OUT THAT MAP IS FACTUALLY INACCURATE IN OTHER RESPECTS AS WELL.
- 2. AUSTRALIA AND IRAN PRESENTLY HAVE ONLY RESEARCH REACTORS WHICH PRODUCE NEGLIGIBLE AMOUNT OF PLUTONIUM. THUS, IT IS NOT RPT NOT CLEAR HOW THEY CAN BE CONSIDERED "PLUTONIUM PRODUCERS" UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. OTHER COUNTRIES DESIGNATED ON MAP ARE IN SIMILAR SITUATION, I.E., BRAZIL, SOUTH AFRICA, EGYPT AND SOUTH KOREA. EVEN IF A "NEGLIGIBLE AMOUNT" QUALIFIES A COUNTRY AS A "PLUTONIUM PRODUCER", THERE ARE MANY OTHER COUNTRIES NOT RPT NOT POINTED OUT ON MAP THAT PRESENTLY ALSO HAVE RESEARCH REACTORS SIMILAR TO AUSTRALIA, IRAN AND THE OTHERS, SUCH CONFIDENTIAL

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TURKEY, GREECE, YUGOSLAVIA, IRAQ, THAILAND, INDONESIA, PHILIPPINES, TAIWAN, NORTH KOREA AND VIET NAM, TO ANAME A FEW. THUS, CRITERIA USED FOR DESIGNATING "PLUTONIUM PRODUCER" ESCAPES US.

3. SHOULD ALSO BE POINTED OUT THAT, WHILE JAPAN HAS NOT RPT NOT RATIFIED NPT, JAPAN IS FOR PRACTICAL PURPOSES "FULLY SAFEGUARDED" BY VIRTUE OF US/IAEA/JAPAN, UK/IAEA/JAPAN, CANADA/IAEA/JAPAN, FRANCE/IAEA/JAPAN AND AUSTRALIA/IAEA/JAPAN TRILATERAL SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS. LABOWITZ

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